or relocating any street or alley, or parts thereof, within the city, which in their opinion the public welfare or convenience may require; to provide for ascertaining whether any and what amount in value of damage will be caused thereby, for which the owner or possessor of any property through which said street or alley-way may pass, ought to be compensated, by the appointment of commissioners to assess the same; to provide for assessing and levying, either generally on the whole assessable property within the city, or specially on the property of persons benefited, the whole or any part of the damages and expenses which will be incurred in laying out, opening, extending, widening, straightening or relocating such street or alley, or parts thereof, and grading the same; to provide for collecting and paying the compensation awarded to any person, before any such street or alley, or parts thereof, shall be laid out, opened, extended, widened, straightened or relocated, and to enact all ordinances, from time to time, necessary or proper to the exercise of the powers granted in this section; provided, that before they shall proceed to execute any of the powers vested in them by this section, at least thirty days' notice shall be given of any application which may be made for the passage of any such ordinance, by advertisements in at least two newspapers printed in said city; and provided further, that upon the return of any assessment of damages or benefits, or both, made under any ordinance passed under this section, the clerk of said city shall cause a copy thereof to be published once a week for four successive weeks in two newspapers printed in said city; and provided further, that whenever said mayor and city council open, lay out, extend, widen, straighten or relocate any street or alley, or any part or parts thereof, they shall establish the grade thereof, and if in their judgment proper so to do, they shall grade the same; and provided further, that the publications to be made under this section, in two newspapers, shall always be made in newspapers of opposite political faith.

1878, ch. 484.

67. Any person who shall feel aggrieved by the decision of the commissioners appointed to lay out such streets, as to the amount of damages allowed him or benefits assessed against him, may appeal therefrom at any time within thirty days after said